

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 9, line 11 with the following amended paragraph:

-- Patent Literature 16: International Publication No. WO 00/016861001/68610.--

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 9, line 21 with the following amended paragraph:

--Non-Patent Literature 1: ~~Biochem. Biophys. Acta~~, 1304, 652, 1996; J. Amer. Oil Chemists Soc., 51, 200, 1974.--

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 9, line 23 with the following amended paragraph:

--Non-Patent Literature 2: Biochem. Biophys. Acta, 1304, 652~~65~~, 1996.--

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 10, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

--Non-Patent Literature 3: J. Clin. Invest., 103, 15972~~1597~~, 1999.--

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 10, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

--Non-Patent Literature 5: Am. J. Physiol., 277, R607, 1999.--

Please replace the paragraph starting from page 10, line 21 with the following amended paragraph:

-- Non-Patent Literature 12: ~~SachimuraKomura~~ S.: "Cataract and Active Oxygen Free Radicals, ~~Active Oxygen Free Radicals~~", 3, 402~~444~~, 1992.--